

SUMMARY OF SELECTED SMALL GAME SEASONS

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Upland Birds, Grouse, Turkey, Canada Goose (Sept.), Dove, Crows, Rabbits, and Hares

SPECIES	AREA	SEASON DATES	DAILY BAG LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMIT
Pheasant	Western WA	Early Juvenile & Senior Season: Sept 20-26, 1997 (a) Season: 8 am - 4 pm Sept 27-Nov 30, 1997, except Dungeness Recreation Area site starting Oct 11	2 (b)	15 (b)
	Eastern WA	Noon, Oct 11-Dec 31, 1997	3 (cocks only)	15 (cocks only)
Quail (Valley, Bobwhite)	Western WA	Oct 11-Nov 30, 1997 (8 a.m4 p.m.)	10 valley or bobwhite	30 valley or bobwhite
	Eastern WA	Noon, Oct 11, 1997-Jan 11, 1998	10 valley or bobwhite	30 valley or bobwhite
Quail (Mountain)	Western WA	Oct 11-Nov 30, 1997 (8 a.m4 p.m.)	2	4
	Eastern WA	Season Closed		
Partridge (Chukar & Gray)	Eastern WA	Oct 1, 1997-Jan 11, 1998	6 chukar & 6 gray	18 chukar & 18 gray
Forest Grouse (Blue, Ruffed, and Spruce)	Statewide	Sept 1-Dec 31, 1997	3 of any species	9 of any species
Sage & Sharptailed Grouse, Ptarmigan, Bandtailed Pigeon		Closed Statewide		
Turkey	Statewide	April 15-May 15 (c)	1 (d)	3 (d)
	Asotin, Columbia, Garfield, & Walla Walla counties	Nov 27-Dec 1, 1997 (AHE Graduates Only)	1 (d) either sex	(d) either sex
	Klickitat & Skamania counties	Nov 27-Dec 1, 1997	1 (d) either sex	(d) either sex
Mourning Dove	Statewide	Sept 1-15, 1997	10	20
Cottontail, Snowshoe Hare, & Jackrabbit	Statewide	Sept 1, 1997-Mar 15, 1998	5	15
Canada Goose (early season)	Statewide except Clark, Cowlitz, Pacific, & Wahkiakum co. (e)	Sept 6 - 12, 1997	3	6
Crows	Statewide	Oct 1, 1997-Jan 31, 1998	no limit	no limit

Falconry Seasons

Upland Game Birds & Forest Grouse	Statewide	Sept 1, 1997-Mar 15, 1998 (falconry)	Daily bag: 2 pheasants (either sex), 6 partridge, 5 quail, and 3 forest grouse
Mourning Dove	Statewide	Sept 1-15, and Oct 1-Dec 31, 1997 (falconry)	Daily bag: 3 morning doves straight or mixed bag with snipe, coots, ducks, and geese during established seasons
Rabbits and Hares	Statewide	Aug 1, 1997-Mar 15, 1998 (falconry)	Daily bag: 5 rabbits or hares straight or mixed bag

- a) Early juvenile & senior season is for juvenile hunters age 14 and under and senior hunters age 65 years or older. Juvenile hunters must be with an adult.
- b) Western Washington designated release sites: either sex. Other than designated release sites: cock pheasants only.
- c) Gobblers and Turkeys with visible beards only.
- d) Bag and possession limits: One turkey per day with a total of three per year; only one turkey from each subspecies may be killed.
- e) No special authorization required; SW Wash. Season pending Fish and Wildlife Commission action Aug 9, 1997



HUNTING HOURS

Pheasant, quail, partridge, mourning dove, Canada goose (Sept.), and turkey hunting hours are one half hour before sunrise to sunset, **except**: pheasant and quail hunting hours are 8:00 am to 4:00 pm in western Washington and noon on opening day (Oct 11, 1997) for pheasants and quail in eastern Washington.

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HUNTING	RESTRICTIONS	
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GENERAL: Hunting is closed in GMU 522

BIRD DOG TRAINING: Bird dog training is allowed statewide from Aug 1 to Mar 15 each year (there may be additional

restrictions on Wildlife Areas managed by WDFW). In addition, year around training areas have been established by the Washington Fish and Wildlife Commission. Contact WDFW offices to determine locations of year around training sites. Other than these year around areas or during the bird dog training season dates, it is illegal to allow a dog owned or controlled by you to pursue, molest, or

harass game birds during closed season.

HUNTER ORANGE: Anyone hunting upland birds (pheasant, quail, and partridge), rabbits or hares with a modern firearm

during any upland game bird season is required to wear hunter orange clothing. Those hunting forest grouse, rabbits, or hares during deer or elk hunting seasons must also wear hunter orange clothing. A minimum of 400 square inches of florescent hunter orange clothing; worn above the waste and

visible from all sides; is required to comply with this regulation.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

HUNTING AREAS: Information on lands open to public hunting, including WDFW Wildlife Areas, is available from WDFW

offices. Thousands of acres of other federal and state lands are available for public hunting. The Washington Department of Natural Resources sells maps showing public land. They may be contacted at

(360) 902-1234.

Migratory waterfowl stamp (state)

SMALL GAME A small game hunting pamphlet will be available in early September which will contain the migratory bird

seasons established by the Washington Fish and Wildlife Commission during their August 9 meeting.

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1997 HUNTING LICENSE FEES:

Hunting license 15.00 (Resident) 150.00 (Non-Res.) Upland bird permit (Eastern WA) <u>full season</u> 10.00 (Resident) 10.00 (Non-Res.) Pheasant Enhancement Stamp (Eastern WA) 10.00 (Resident) 10.00 (Non-Res.) Upland bird permit (Western WA) full season 35.00 (Resident) 35.00 (Non-Res.) Westside juvenile (14 & under) 20.00 (Resident) 20.00 (Non-Res.) Westside 2-day option 20.00 (Resident) 20.00 (Non-Res.)

PHEASANT ENHANCEMENT STAMP A new stamp will be required of eastern Washington pheasant hunters beginning in September 1997. The stamp was authorized by the 1997 Legislature to be dedicated for improving pheasant hunting in eastern Washington. Most of the funds are earmarked for purchasing pheasants for release on public lands. Funds will also be available for habitat enhancement grants to state and federal agencies as well as private organizations. For additional information contact the Wildlife Management Program at (360) 902-2515.

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